MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table all the papers connected with that?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): In the case of a Government officer, if the evidence leads to a suspicion of corruption, is it not necessary to punish him at least as an example to others?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is not a supplementary question.

PRESIDENT: The answer says that there is no conclusive evidence of corruption. So, that question does not arise, and no enquiry is necessary under the Regulation.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): What was the necessity for noting the matter in the officer's service record?

PRESIDENT: There is an answer to that question also in the answer given already. The first sentence answers that question.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): But is it not the duty of the Government, when an officer's conduct is found to be suspicious, to conduct an enquiry and give sufficient punishment to that officer?

PRESIDENT: The punishment that was given is mentioned there.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I want to know whether the punishment given to the Tahsildar is a sufficient one if there was a charge against him.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no charge against him.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then, what was the necessity for noting the matter in the officer's service record?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because there was a suspicion.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then why not the Government give him sufficient punishment?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There were no grounds for punishing him.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): If there was no sufficient room for suspicion, what necessity had the Government to note the matter in the officer's record?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that question.

Mr. A. R. Subrahmanya Aiyar, Tahsildar.

166. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state the charges against Mr. A. R. Subrahmanya Aiyar that culminated in the punishments recently awarded to him?

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[Mr. N. Ramakrishna Pillai.]

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar was punished for unsatisfactory land records work.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): The answer to my question is that Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar was punished. Will the Government be pleased to state what the exact charge was?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is that he did not do land records work satisfactorily.

Punishment of Excise Officers.

167. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the following information in regard to the punishments imposed by the Excise Commissioner during 1097, 1098 and up to Dhanu, 1099:—

(*a*) persons fined Rs. 5 and above;
(*b*) persons degraded;
(*c*) persons suspended;
(*d*) persons censured;
(*e*) persons dismissed; and
(*f*) persons whose punishments were subsequently cancelled by him and also by the Government?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A statement giving the particulars required by the member is given below:—

Punishments inflicted.	1097.	1098.	1099.
Number of persons fined Rs. 5 ...	19	30	8
Do. degraded ...	6	2	3
Do. suspended ...	10	3	2
Do. censured ...	...	...	...
Do. dismissed ...	1	1	...
Persons whose punishments were subsequently cancelled by him and by the Government.		A fine of Rs. 2 was cancelled by the Excise Commissioner.	

No fine of more than Rs. 5 was imposed in any case.

Anchal Superintendent's Head-quarters.

168. MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam cum Ettumanur*): (*a*) When was the head-quarters of the Anchal Superintendent removed from Trivandrum and why was it removed?

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